



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5169

LCO No. 3291

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS IN TOWNS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 9-190 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

3 [Any] Each town [divided into two voting districts may, by vote of
4 its legislative body,] shall provide for the election of two registrars of
5 voters [for each voting district instead of two registrars of voters] for
6 the entire town. Each registrar of voters shall reside in the town [and
7 district] for which he is elected. Any special act to the contrary
8 notwithstanding, in each municipality in which registrars of voters are
9 elected, no elector shall vote for more than one registrar of voters [for
10 the voting district in which the elector resides, or, as the case may be,]
11 for the municipality. [at large.] The candidate having the highest
12 number of votes and the candidate having the next highest number of
13 votes for the office of registrar of voters, who does not belong to the
14 same political party as the candidate having the highest number, shall
15 be declared elected registrars of voters for the municipality [or

16 district,] provided, if the candidate for registrar of voters of a major
 17 party is not one of the registrars so elected, such candidate of such
 18 major party shall also be declared elected registrar of voters. For
 19 purposes of this section, a major party shall be one having the largest
 20 or next largest total number of enrolled party members in the state, as
 21 determined by the latest enrollment records in the office of the
 22 Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of
 23 section 9-65. [The term of office of all registrars of voters for voting
 24 districts in office on January 7, 1995, shall expire on January 8, 1997,
 25 and on November 5, 1996, two registrars shall be elected for each
 26 municipality with more than two voting districts which previously
 27 elected registrars of voters for voting districts.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section	October 1, 2009	9-190
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Statement of Purpose:

To provide each municipality with two registrars of voters, irrespective of the number of voting districts within such municipality.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

Co-Sponsors: REP. CANDELORA, 86th Dist.

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